

**United States Environmental Protection Agency  
Criminal Investigation Division  
Investigative Activity Report**

**Case Number**

0906-0052

**Case Title:**

Technical Anodize

**Reporting Office:**

Los Angeles, CA Resident Office

**Subject of Report:**

Interview of [REDACTED] on January 31, 2012

**Activity Date:**

January 31, 2012

**Reporting Official and Date:**

[REDACTED], SA

02-FEB-2012, Signed by [REDACTED] SA

**Approving Official and Date:**

[REDACTED], SAC

02-FEB-2012, Approved by [REDACTED], SAC

**SYNOPSIS**

The reporting agent interviewed [REDACTED], currently employed by Technical Anodize, during the execution of a search warrant at the Technical Anodize facility in Pomona, CA.

**DETAILS**

On January 31, 2012, during the execution of a search warrant on Technical Anodize located at 1140, 1142A and 1142B Price Street, Pomona, California, Manuel Carvajal and the reporting agent interviewed [REDACTED]. Carvajal is an Industrial Technician with the Industrial Waste Section of the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County. Carvajal provided Spanish interpretation between the reporting agent and [REDACTED] provided the following:

[REDACTED] says [REDACTED] has worked at Technical Anodize for approximately two years. [REDACTED] explains [REDACTED] works Monday through Friday from 0600 to 1430 hours. [REDACTED] states [REDACTED] job is to put parts on racks. [REDACTED] says [REDACTED] is starting to do some painting. [REDACTED] explains [REDACTED] mixes powders with water in order to paint. [REDACTED] says [REDACTED] uses water to wash parts in the same location where anodizing occurs. [REDACTED] states [REDACTED], another Technical Anodize employee, taught [REDACTED] how to put parts on racks and is currently teaching [REDACTED] about painting.

[REDACTED] explains [REDACTED] arrives at the facility generally around 0500 hours. [REDACTED] says [REDACTED] does the anodizing and plating at the shop.

[REDACTED] says [REDACTED] supervises everyone at the facility.

[REDACTED] says the facility is owned by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] assigns the shifts.

[REDACTED] says more than likely, the chemicals used at the facility are dangerous, but [REDACTED] does not know if they are hazardous waste. [REDACTED] indicates that materials such as color pigments are located in building 1140.

[REDACTED] states there are drums located in the yard at the facility. [REDACTED] says [REDACTED] does not know what is in the drums but says the drums possibly contain chemicals from the processing of metals such as sulfuric acid. [REDACTED] says [REDACTED] saw sulfuric acid being stored in the drums once. [REDACTED] states the boss, [REDACTED], takes care of the drums. [REDACTED] says [REDACTED] does not know where the drums go or who picks up the drums.

Identification for [REDACTED] is documented on a separate Personal History Form.

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No further.